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Applicant(s): Mark Edward Kane, et al.

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR COMPENSATING FOR WHEEL

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Examiner:

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Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

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Applicant(s) wish(es) to disclose the following information.

REFERENCES

Applicant(s) wish(es) to make of record the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available full or partial English translations of any non-English-language documents.

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Attached is a list of Applicant's(s') pending applications and issued patents which may be related to the present application. Copies of the documents, where required, are attached along with Form PTO-1449.

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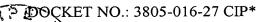
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